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- 1. Beginning 9 May 1950, the People's Army established a special training center for staff members in the eastern districts of Pyongyang. The school is headed by PAK Hyo-sam () , former chief of staff of the Police Constabulary training battalion; the Soviet adviser is Colonel Rorituv (?Lolitov). About 350 officers above the rank of junior lieutenant are enrolled; they are PA personnel who, because of their inefficiency, are sent for retraining.
- 2. On 13 May, all training companies attached to the Border Constabulary brigades were dissolved. Each brigade culled out its deficient officers and soldiers and sent them to the special training center in Pyong, ang for instruction in military, political, and cultural fields, with emphasis on working for the unification of the country. The school, which is headed by TI Ch'ol-su (1, 1, 1), is organized into divisions for officers, non-commissioned officers, and soldiers. It occupied the building of the former Third Company of the city Police Constabulary Battalion.
- 3_{\circ} Under a directive from PA headquarters, about 800 persons are to be enrolled in the Kangdong (126-06, 39-08) Political School. Students are selected by local Labor Party branches and people's committees from among members with the soundest ideas of Communism. The new semester of the school starts in
- 4. New recruits or conscripts into the PA are placed in a labor regiment and work for a month before receiving regular basic military training. Privates are not allowed to leave their billet area. A daily program for trainees includes two hours of political education and lectures on current events.

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